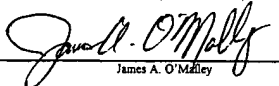


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Class: 411 Subclass: 171

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TRANSMITTAL OF FILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

1. **Type of Application**

This is a new application for a

☒ Continuation

☐ Divisional

application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial No. 10/222,269, which was filed on August 16, 2002 of James Patrick Clinch and Gary Puzzella, and entitled "SPLIT WELD CAGE NUT ASSEMBLY".

2. **Benefit of Prior U.S. Application**

☒ The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/222,269.

3. **Papers Enclosed**

- ☒ 31 pages of specification
☒ 7 pages of claims
☒ 1 page of abstract
☒ 10 sheets of *formal* drawings
☒ 2 page of *executed* declaration and power of attorney; the original signed declaration was executed by: James Patrick Clinch on August 7, 2002, by Gary Puzzella on August 12, 2002, and was filed on August 16, 2002.
☒ 2 pages of an Application Data Sheet

4. **Amendments**

☐ A Preliminary Amendment is submitted herewith.

5. **Information Disclosure Statement**

☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith.

6. **Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)**

CLAIMS AS FILED			
Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee
			\$770.00
Total Claims 26	6	x \$ 18.00	108 .00
Independent Claims 4	1	x \$ 86.00	86.00
Multiple dependent claim(s), if any		+ \$290.00	964.00
Filing Fee Calculation			\$964.00

7. **Small Entity Status**

A verified statement that this filing is by a small entity:

☐ is attached.

☐ has been filed in the parent application and such status is still proper and desired.

Filing Fee Calculation (50% of above) ____

8. **Drawings**

☒ Formal

☐ Informal

9. **Inventorship Statement**

(a) With respect to the prior copending U.S. application from which this application claims benefit under 35 USC 120, the inventor(s) in this application is (are):

☒ the same

☐ less than those named in the prior application. It is requested that the following inventors identified above for the prior application be deleted:

(b) The inventorship for all the claims in this application are:

☒ the same.

☐ not the same. And an explanation, including the ownership of the various claims at the time the last claimed invention was made, is submitted.

10. **Assignment**

- ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to
TEXTRON INC. of 40 Westminster Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903.
The assignment was recorded October 9, 2002 on reel/frame number
013363/0100.
- ☐ An Assignment of the invention to Greenlee Textron Inc. is attached. A separate
"COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) ACCOMPANYING
NEW PATENT APPLICATION" or ☐ FORM PTO-1595 is also attached.

11. **Fee Payment Being Made At This Time**

Enclosed

- ☒ basic filing fee \$964.00
- ☐ recording assignment (\$40.00; 37 CFR 1.21(h))
(See attached "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT ACCOMPANYING NEW
PATENT APPLICATION".)
- ☐ processing and retention fee (\$130.00; 37 CFR 1.53(d) and 1.21(l))

Total Fees Enclosed \$964.00

12. **Method of Payment of Fees**

- ☒ enclosed is a check in the amount of \$964.00

13. **Authorization To Charge Additional Fees**

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees
which may be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of the
application to Account No. 20-1495.
- ☒ 37 CFR 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)
- ☒ 37 CFR 1.16(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims)
- ☐ 37 CFR 1.17 (application processing fees)

14. **Power of Attorney**

- ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to
Richard A. Giangiorgi, Reg. No. 24,284
- a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
- b. ☐ Because the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the
power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. ☐ A new power has been executed and is attached.

- d. ☒ Address all future communications to:

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15. **Petition for Extension of Time in Prior Application**

- ☐ A petition for extension of time and an amendment are being filed with the pending parent application.
- ☐ A **copy** of the petition for extension of time in the pending parent application is attached.

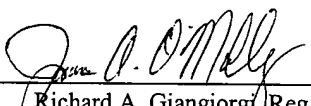
16. **Notification in Parent Application of the Filing of This Continuation Application**

- ☒ A notification of the filing of this continuation is being filed in the parent application from which this application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

Respectfully submitted,

TREXLER, BUSHNELL, GIANGIORGI,
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